

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS IN ASSAM
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the government have taken any steps to boost the production of crude oil and atural gas in Assam through ONGC and OIL;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether present quantity of natural gas production is not sufficient to fulfil the commitment to different industries and people of Assam;
- (d) if so, the details of demand and supply of natural gas in Assam; and
- (e) the measures taken to minimise the shortage?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (Shri Santosh Kumar Gangwar)

(a, b and e): The following steps have been taken by the Government to boost the production of crude oil and natural gas in Assam:

- Effective reservoir management through infill drilling, redistribution of water injection and installation/optimisation of lift mechanism.
- 3-D Seismic Surveys for better reservoir delineation and to identify deeper prospects within existing producing areas.
- Faster development of new discoveries.
- Sand control and water shut off jobs.
- Accelerated exploration for accretion of more crude oil and gas reserves.
- Engagement of consultants for fielf-specific problems.
- State of the art geoscientific studies for basin modelling.
- Development of non-associated gas reserves in Upper Assam.

(c & d): The present requirement of gas by the existing consumers in Assam is in the order of 3.514 million standard cubic metres per day (MMSCMD) and the same is being fully met except in the case of LPG recovery plant of Gas Authority of India at Lakwa.